

FUTURE OF AIRPLANE TRAVEL IS IN U. S.

Over-Seas Flights Not Practicable—Will Not Pay In Europe.

NO UNIVERSAL AIR

Mail Routes Open to All—America Has Best Opportunity to Use Planes.

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BERLIN, April 28.—Flying to America can be done, but it will never be a practical means of navigating the oceans, either the Atlantic or the Pacific, according to Ferdinand Rasch, director of the Zeppelin works at Staaken. Rasch was one of the principal engineers who developed the giant German planes for use in bombing London, planes which would carry several hundred bombs and were three times as large as a "gotha."

Rasch said the Zeppelin people have decided it is not worth while trying to develop air navigation to America. Planes would have to carry so much fuel that there would be little room for either passengers or baggage. As a mail service, the planes would be useful, but they would not be as fast as the cable, and using them for post would be an expensive matter, unless governments did it.

For shorter distances, Rasch sees no end of possibilities and the Zeppelin people are preparing to use their works producing a new peace machine. For cross country work there is nothing to compare to aeroplanes, according to Rasch, but the air must be internationalized, everywhere, except possibly in America, if air navigation is to be made the most of.

"European countries are too small to make air service worth while, especially with the huge Zeppelin aeroplanes," says Rasch. "The route that planes will be most useful for will be from Berlin to Paris or London, Rome or Constantinople. That is where the great savings in time will come."

"Going from one city to another in Germany, for example, will be all right for small planes, but it will not be nearly as big a possibility as the overland routes from country to country. To do this successfully, the air must be internationalized, for the benefit of all countries."

"America is the only country where this will not apply, for all other countries are too small to keep an aeroplane within them. I look for the most remarkable aero development in America, where there are vast areas uncovered by railroads, or where railroads have to go around mountains. "Planes can follow routes that will save hundreds of miles and hundreds of hours, both of which will appeal to Americans. In addition, Americans have the energy and capital to develop the air route possibilities, while European concerns are depleted in finances."

Rasch says the Zeppelin people are expecting Americans to take up the Zeppelin engine, and build factories to produce it in America. Dirigibles require a house big enough to enclose the Vaterland, the world's greatest steamer, and are more subject to wind changes. These factors make the plane the cheapest and most useful for peace work.

SOCIETY NOTES

Mrs. C. D. Rodgers and Mrs. H. H. Krusekopf entertained members of the Eliza Perkinson Missionary Circle of the Methodist Church Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Rodgers on Wilson avenue.

Laurence W. Dorsey left last night for Texarkana, Tex., after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Dorsey.

Mrs. D. A. Robnett returned last night from Linneus where she visited her daughter, Mrs. Donald Fitch.

Mrs. John F. Rhodes returned Friday from Mexico where she spent the week with her uncle, Rev. H. B. Barks.

Harry Taylor and Wiley Pendleton left for Kansas City yesterday after spending the week-end at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house.

Mrs. Sam Frank Taylor returned Saturday from a visit at Eldorado Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. James Redmond who visited their daughter, Miss Mary Redmond during commencement returned to their home in Kansas City Saturday.

Miss Hazel Babb, L. E. Whybark and Harold Moore returned yesterday from Brookfield where they attended a houseparty given by Miss Helen Moore.

Mrs. J. P. McBaine entertained about twenty-five guests at an informal tea this afternoon, complimentary to her guest, Mrs. Thomas M. Dysart of St. Louis.

Laurence E. Whitehead left this afternoon for his home in St. Louis after visiting at the Kappa Alpha house.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lowe and son Frank Lowe, Jr., left Thursday for

Kansas City after spending the winter here.

James Rollins, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rollins, left Thursday for Carrollton to visit his sister. From there he will go on to Kansas City.

The Margaret Elwang Circle of the King's Daughters will meet with Mrs. LeRoy Palmer, 105 Stewart road, at 2:30 o'clock, Thursday afternoon.

The Sigma Chi fraternity announces the pledging of Phil Gaylord, son of Hal Gaylord, editor of the Kansas City Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. William Haskell Hudson of Kansas City have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Margaret to Owen G. Carpenter of New York City. Mr. Carpenter was graduated from the School of Journalism of the University in 1915. While in school he was a member of the board of directors of the Evening Missourian and a member of the Dana Press Club. Since leaving the University he has been engaged in advertising work in Chicago and New York. His parents live at Eldon, Mo.

STRIVING FOR MORE REVENUE

House Favors a Tax on Theaters and Amusements.

The lower house of the Legislature has engrossed a bill putting a tax on admissions to theaters, picture shows and all other places of amusement. The bill provides for a tax on cabarets, the tax to be 20 per cent of the amount paid for refreshments and service, the tax to be paid by the consumer.

"Does the bill include a tax on poker games?" Representative McPherson of St. Louis asked in the House. "I understand there is no admission to a poker game; that you pay when come out," Jones replied.

There was no opposition to the engrossment of the bill.

Following the engrossment of the Theater Tax Bill, there was a fight on another revenue bill placing a 2 per cent tax on coal and other mineral products mined in Missouri, with a similar tax on natural gas and oil. Chairman Jones said the bill was prepared by Attorney General Frank W. McAllister.

Representative Waring of Jasper County, a mine operator led the fight against the bill. Finally the consideration of the bill was postponed.

The house, however, did engross bills placing a 10 per cent tax on cigarettes, cigarette papers, playing cards, cigars, smoking tobaccos and toilet preparations.

TO MANDAMUS STATE BOARD

New Method May Result in Better Pay for Teachers.

A new development in the tax controversy at Jefferson City that may aid the Columbia school teachers comes as a result of a declaration by Representative C. H. Miles of Benton County that he will mandamus the State Board of Equalization in order to compel the equalization of property at its true value in money, if an attempt is made again this year by the majority of the board to ignore the assessors figures and substitute valuations of their own making.

"I told the school people of my county that I stood for the lawful assessment of property which will permit the districts to get enough money to pay teachers living wages and to maintain schools for eight months in the year. I propose to make this statement good by becoming the plaintiff in a mandamus proceeding against the State Board of Equalization if it attempts to strike down these assessments as was done last year and curtail the educational opportunities of the boys and girls in Benton County and other counties of the state."

U. S. MAY LOSE GERMAN SHIPS

Allies Object to Letting America Keep All Vessels She Seized.

By United Press.

PARIS, April 28.—America will not receive the full value of the German merchant ships which she seized when she went to war, if the majority report of the reparations commission is confirmed by the Big Three.

A minority report, signed by Vance McCormick and Bernard Baruch, recommends giving America all of the ships. The reports of the other members of the committee favors placing all of the vessels for distribution among the associate powers, in keeping with the policy of giving France and Belgium first call on indemnities.

The British delegates pointed out that America would receive ten times as much captured tonnage as Great Britain if the awards were made on the basis of the amount of shipping seized.

Twelve Divorces Were Granted.

In the matter of granting divorces, the Boone County Circuit Court is at least reasonably accommodating, as shown by the records of the last session of that tribunal. Fifteen cases were tried and twelve granted. The other three were continued. None was dismissed by the court.

SPORT

The University of Missouri relay team placed fourth in the mile national championship race at the Pennsylvania Relay Games Saturday. Sylvester, Barlow, Brownlee and Parker, running in that order, were beaten by Pennsylvania, Nebraska and Cornell. The winning team covered the distance in 3:25.

C. L. ("Chuck") Lewis, Missouri's entry in the pentathlon, captured third place in that five-event tournament, by placing fourth in the broad jump, 1,500 meter race, and discus throw, and fifth place in the javelin throw, Friday.

Coach H. F. Schulte decided that Captain Sylvester was not in condition to run the hurdles and sprints, and then come back strong for the relay, therefore he did not enter the Missouri hurdler in the events in which eastern critics considered him a dark horse.

The eight starters in the American mile relay championship were Cornell, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Dartmouth, Pennsylvania State, Massachusetts Technical, Pittsburgh and Nebraska. Cornell was in the lead for the first two laps with Nebraska and Missouri fighting for second place. At the beginning of the third lap Pennsylvania moved into first place, and Nebraska, with McMahon running, nosed out Cornell for second in a beautiful sprint at the last.

Columbia, St. Joseph, Kansas City Manual, Joplin, Webster Groves, William Chrisman (Mexico), Pleasant Hill, Warrensburg, Kirksville, Bethany, Brookfield, Hannibal and Mt. Vernon high schools have added to the list of entries in the High School Day track and field meet to be held here Saturday. Entries from several smaller schools—Chillicothe, Rocheport, Memphis, Norborne, Grant City, Slater, and others—are expected today.

There are five fewer schools entered in Class I of the meet this year than last, but larger teams from the schools participating has brought the number of entries in this division almost up to normal. Entries in Class II are above those of last year, eighty-nine men being scheduled to appear this year, as compared with eighty entrants last year.

The larger number of men entered by individual teams this year indicates that more schools are out to win the meet than in other years. Many schools have been in the habit of sending a few men, hoping to place in certain events, but making little effort to win the meet. Schools this year, however, are sending all around teams, many of them entering four and six men in each event.

Entries have been late in coming in this year, many schools waiting until last Saturday when their men competed in sectional meets at Springfield, Carrollton and Kirksville, before picking the team to be sent to the state meet here this week.

The following entries were received Saturday and today:

Division I.
Bethany High School: 100-yard dash—Dotson, Sapp, Smith. 220-yard dash: Dotson, Sapp, Smith. 120-yard

high hurdles—Howery, Clark. 220-yard low hurdles—Howery, Clark. Running high jump—Clark. Running broad jump—Howery, Clark. Half-mile relay—Dotson, Sapp, Smith, Howery, Clark. Quarter-mile relay—Dotson, Sapp, Smith, Howery, Clark.

Brookfield High School: 100-yard dash—Rusk, Moore, Harris. 220-yard dash—Rusk, Moore, Harris, Chapman. 440-yard run—Moore, McAfee, Wallace. 880-yard run—McAfee, Wallace. Pole vault—Simmons. Half-mile relay—Rusk, Chapman, Harris, Moore, Bartlett. Quarter-mile relay—Rusk, Chapman, Harris, Moore.

Hannibal: 100-yard dash—Hunt, Winkler. 220-yard dash—Link, Winkler. 440-yard run—Link, Lane. 880-yard run—Link, Kenning, Hunt, Maple. 120-yard high hurdles—Beal. Shot put—Kenning, Cameron, Lane. Running high jump—Maple. Running broad jump—Winkler, Hunt. Pole vault—Beal. Half mile relay—Hunt, Beal, Link, Winkler, Lane, Kenning. Discus throw—Cameron, Lane. Quarter-mile relay—Hunt, Beal, Link, Winkler, Lane, Kenning.

Mount Vernon High School: 100-yard dash—Samuel, Newman, Walker, Fowler. 220-yard dash—Walker, Newman, Williams, Samuel. 440-yard run—Williams, Walker, O'Dell. 880-yard run—Berry, O'Dell, Morris, Ruckert. 120-yard high hurdles—Samuel, Fowler, Hughes. 220-yard low hurdles—Samuel, Hughes, Fowler, Williams, Walker. Running high jump—Fowler, Hughes, Samuel, Williams. Running broad jump—Samuel, Hughes. Half-mile relay—Samuel, Newman, Walker, Fowler, Hughes, Williams, O'Dell, Berry. Discus throw—Fowler, Samuel, Walker. Quarter-mile relay—Walker, Newman, Samuel, Fowler, Williams, Hughes.

Pleasant Hill High School: 220-yard

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dash—Jones. 440-yard run—Jones. 880-yard run—Jones. Warrensburg High School: 100-yard dash—Six, Shepherd, Johnson, Stone. 220-yard dash—Six, Shepherd, Johnson, Stone. 440-yard run—Glasby, Peters, Six, Shepherd. 880-yard run—Shepherd, Glasby, Daley, Stone. Shot put—Christopher, Peters. Running high jump—Six, Daley, Stone. Running broad jump—Six, Shepherd, Peters, Glasby. Half-mile relay—Peters, Glasby, Christopher, Daley, Stone. Discus throw—Wells, Dodson.

Kirksville High School: 100-yard dash—Robinson, Bows. 220-yard dash—Robinson, T. Dillinger. 880-yard run—Draper, Haden, Bowers. 220-yard low hurdles—C. Dillinger, Bows. Shot put—R. Wells, B. Wells. Running broad jump—McCully, Dodson. Half-mile relay—Bows, C. Dillinger, T. Dillinger, Robinson, McCully, Dodson. Discus throw—Wells, Dodson.

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